

Marijuana plant

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Hi John,

Here is my thoughts on the Marijuana Plant planning on going in. Any questions feel free to email me.

Thank you
Ethel

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When we purchased our home on Long Hill in 1995, it was a nice quiet neighborhood in which we would raise our family. Since then, the Town has allowed for a 186-unit apartment complex to be built on Access road. This then necessitated Access Road and National Way, which was originally only for industrial traffic, to become used as access for Long View Apartments. In doing so they had to modify the ingress to the Long Hill neighborhood. Long Hill Road was originally considered and designed as a "FAMILY" neighborhood, but that character has changed.

Now it has come to my attention (And other abutting property owners) that the Town will allow a marijuana grow site right next to our neighborhood. Although much of the abutting land is zoned for Industrial use, with the exception of 11 Long Hill Rd that is owned by the town and has no specific zoning, it seems odd that our once quiet family neighborhood will now be adjacent to a growth site for a substance that, when ingested, is considered by many to precede the use of other illicit substances. Does the town really want our children growing up next to this?

It seems further odd that the town will allow access (Emergency or otherwise) to this new growth site by way of Long Hill Rd. Isn't access via Access Road and National Way a more logical option since these roads were originally intended for industrial traffic and access for Long View Apartments? What about safety and increased-traffic concerns?

The town has already once changed the roadways into Long Hill. Should we now have to endure another change to our neighborhood so someone can grow marijuana or so the town may receive more income due to taxes on the site? It was not that long ago that marijuana was considered a bad, illicit substance. Now we should be exposing our children to this industry as they ride their bikes and play with friends in their neighborhood?

Speaking of marijuana and Georgetown, how many Marijuana facilities are there now in town? It seems Georgetown is starting to receive recognition as a "Marijuana Capital". What happened to our vision of a wonderful suburb where families can be raised? Have the town managers lost sight of what has made Georgetown so wonderful?

In the meantime, we have empty storefronts in town and cannot find business to open there. Seems the town managers just give out more permits for more Marijuana plants to generate income. But at what cost too our community?

It is my opinion the Marijuana plant should be accessed only from Norino Way. Long Hill Road had to change their road structure to accommodate Long View Apartments when they went in. Now you are wanting to make access to your Marijuana Plant from our residential neighborhood!? School buses come up and down this hill. I have seen them stuck in the wintertime, have seen cars in the side ditch as this can be a very slippery Hill during the winter. I do not think it's safe for more traffic to be added, approaching or stopping to take turns into this road you suggesting be put in.

There is a large number of children on our street. I would hate to have something happen to anyone walking or playing out there.

Then, traffic on 133 for the Mission plant is crazy enough!!! We have traffic approaching from 4 different directions there. Maybe that is a safety issue that should be addressed instead of adding more traffic to grow marijuana. I can only imagine how much worse it will be.

Another question is what about the ventilation system? Will it be adequate enough so we do not smell the growth? We have smelled the Mission Marijuana plant on RT. 133, and it is not a nice smell! Need to address the design of the system since apparently Mission's is not the right system also.

At some point the Town should be cognizant of the negative effects of zoning changes and the marijuana industry on our town.

Thank you
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Norino Way Marijuana plant

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Hello Mr. Cashell - please find attached our letter regarding the potential Marijuana plant on Norino Way.

Sincere regards, Tom and Rene' Jamerson

To: Georgetown Planning Board / public hearing

We have recently become aware of a Marijuana Business Specializing in Cultivation and Manufacturing being planned for 2 Norino Way which is adjacent to the Long Hill area of Georgetown.

We understand that access to this facility will be from Long Hill Road; and we strongly object to this approach.

Long Hill Road is the access road to a family neighborhood. This road is used by residents, mail delivery, service providers and school buses. This road is both steep, and treacherous during the winter months or heavy spring rains. Adding more industrial type traffic to this road will be a serious safety concern.

The original “driver” for the access road was to minimize or eliminate trucking from Tenney St. The same philosophy or approach should also apply to Long Hill Rd. Every effort should be made to ensure the safety of the residents and children of the Long Hill neighborhood and not use Long Hill Rd for industrial access. Please consider the current developing issue at the intersection of Rte 133 , National Way and the Mission Oak facility. It’s a matter of time before a serious accident occurs.

In addition, we strongly recommend that the potential nuisance factor of this Marijuana Business be considered – namely the smells, odors and airborne and/or water emissions be properly addressed with strict engineered controls. Again, safety and health considerations are paramount and must be understood and properly addressed.

In closing, we are pro- business and expanding the Georgetown tax base is critical to the future of Georgetown. However, we should not compromise the safety, or environmental well being of our residents. Please take the appropriate actions to evaluate the potential consequences that may result from this development.

Respectfully submitted, Tom & Rene’ Jamerson

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